



State of California – The Resources Agency  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
845 Casa Grande Road  
Petaluma, CA 94954

**PROJECT TITLE:** Trail Through Time Steps – Upper Rock City

**LOCATION:** Mt. Diablo State Park

**COUNTY:** Contra Costa

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Construction of wood steps in Mount Diablo State Park to repair unsafe walking conditions and prevent further erosion of the trail. Project will install 4x8 inch wood boards along 85 feet of trail and secured with rebar and backfilling area with native soil to create steps, add organic debris and small logs and de-compacting the trail tread to remove two user-created trails and protect the newly repaired area with berms. Work will also build a new 45' long access trail to a nearby picnic area.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Diablo Vista District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 4

Section: 15301, 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; and there will be minor alterations in the condition of land, water; and vegetation that do not include the healthy, mature, or scenic trees as listed in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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